



# Afton Area Business Association

## 2010 Fall Newsletter

### 32nd Annual—Afton Art In The Park

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*Welcome*

*New Members!*

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### Save The Date

December 3, 4, & 5, 2010

Afton Old Fashion Holiday Weekend - Breakfast with Santa, Wagon Rides and more. Enjoy the holiday season in Afton.

### **2010 AABA Officers**

President Amy Reents  
Vice President Marj Weir  
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Treasurer Kathy Jarvis  
Member At Large Julie Anderson

Afton, Denmark Twp,  
Lake St Croix Beach,  
Lakeland,  
Lakeland Shores,  
St Mary's Point,  
West Lakeland Twp.

Saturday, September 25 - 10am - 5pm and Sunday, September 26 - 11am - 4pm



Enjoy the fall foliage of the beautiful St. Croix Valley when you attend the 32nd Annual Afton Art Fair in the quaint village square of Afton, Minnesota

This year we have many new and old vendors with over 60 artists that will display original fine art and traditional crafts for sale. Artwork includes paintings, pottery, fibers, woodwork, metalwork, jewelry, photography and more.....

Enjoy food from the local restaurants, Afton Pre-School and other food vendors. MG Classic Car Show on Saturday. Entertainment in the park. Saturday 11-1 Kenzie Joy, Saturday 1-4 Joel Summers, Sunday 12-3 - Patchouli For more info - [www.aftonartfair.com](http://www.aftonartfair.com)

## Shop Local

1. When you purchase at locally owned businesses rather than nationally owned, more money is kept in the community because locally-owned businesses often purchase from other local businesses, service providers and farms. Purchasing local helps grow other businesses as well as the Afton Area tax base.
2. Non Profits Receive Greater Support—Local business owners donate more to local charities than non-local owners.
3. Unique Businesses Create Character & Prosperity—The unique character of the Afton Area is what brought us here and keeps us here. Our tourism businesses also benefit.
4. Environmental Impact Is Reduced—Local businesses make more local purchases requiring less transportation and usually set up shop in town centers rather than on the fringe. This generally means contributing less to sprawl, congestion, habitat loss and pollution.
5. Most New Jobs Are Provided By Local Businesses—Small local businesses are the largest employers nationally.
6. Customer Service Is Better—Local businesses often hire people with more specific product expertise for better customer service.
7. Local Business Owners Invest In Community—Local businesses are owned by people who live in this community, are less likely to leave, and are more invested in the community's future.
8. Public Benefits Far Outweigh Public Costs—Local businesses require comparatively little infrastructure and more efficiently utilize public services relative to chain stores.
9. Competition And Diversity Leads To More Consumer Choices—A marketplace of thousands of small businesses is the best way to ensure innovation and low prices over the long-term.
10. Investment In Afton and Surrounding Communities Is Encouraged - A growing body of economic research shows that in an increasingly homogenized world, entrepreneurs and skilled workers are more likely to invest and settle in communities that preserve their one-of-a-kind businesses and distinctive character.

## Afton Upcoming Events

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**September 10**, Comedy Dinner Cruise Jeff Gerbino  
Afton\*Hudson Cruise Lines

**September 11**, Blues Music & Dinner Cruise -  
Afton\*Hudson Cruise Lines, St Croix Valley United  
Methodist Church Rummage Sale

**September 16**, 9th Annual Wine Tasting / Dinner  
Cruise - Afton\*Hudson Cruise Lines

**September 18**, Baglio's Fashion Show & Lunch at  
Afton House Inn

**September 24**, Comedy Dinner Cruise - Scott Hansen  
& the Stagebenders - Afton\*Hudson Cruise Lines

**September 25—26**, Afton Art in the Park

**September 25**, Dance Cruise with Lesson by Tom  
Larsen - Afton\*Hudson Cruise Lines

**October 5**, Treasure Island Casino Cruise

**October 8**, Comedy Dinner Cruise - Holly Henson -  
Afton\*Hudson Cruise Lines

**October 9**, Oktoberfest Beer Tasting Dinner Cruise - Afton\*Hudson Cruise Lines **November 25**, Thanksgiving Dinner at the Historic  
Afton House Inn **December 3,4, & 5**, Afton Old Fashion Holiday Weekend - Breakfast with Santa, Wagon Rides and more.....

## Memorial Lutheran Church of Afton



FALL/WINTER WORSHIP  
SCHEDULE BEGINS SEPTEMBER 19  
Sundays 8:30am & 10:30am

RALLY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12  
9:30am Worship with Holy Communion  
Pancake breakfast, 8:15-9:15am & 10:30-11:30am

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## Joe Farrington Golf Tournament—Update



The Joe Farrington Golf Tournament and Dinner was a great success. Proceeds from the tournament went to Christ Recovery Center and AABA. Thank You to the following sponsors who donated to this event. Hole Sponsors - Making Waves, Tom Johnson, Windmill Marina

Thank you to the following vendors for donating Silent Auction and Raffle Items: - Afton Alps, Afton House Inn, Afton \* Hudson Cruise Lines, Afton Marina & Yacht Club, Baglio's of Afton, Bisou Bisou, Buell's, Freedom Value Center, His & Her Hair Fashions, Making Waves, Mike Lewis, SailAway Café, Subway (Lakeland), Windmill Marina.


## 2010 AABA Member Directory

Afton Alps Ski Area	436-5245
Afton Apple Orchard	436-8385
Afton Bean	998-0987
Afton Boat Storage	436-6892
Afton Care Senior Homes	436-7378
Afton Historical Museum	436-3500
Afton Historical Society Press	436-8443
Afton House Inn	436-8883
Afton Law Office	436-8656
Afton Marina & Yacht Club, Inc.	436-6050
Afton Preschool	436-8557
Baglio's of Afton	436-1506
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BJ Transport	436-4300
Buell's, Inc.	459-9331
Calla Lily Day Spa	436-4636
Catfish Saloon & Cafe	436-8883
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Chelsea Rose	436-6812
Edina Realty-Devine Real Estate	612-220-0140
Equaris	337-0261
Fine Details Party Planning	263-5159
Fresh Earth Farms	436-2778
Herman Farms & Contracting	436-7119
Hooper's Yachts	436-8795
Lakeland Antiques	436-8139
Lakeland Heating & Air Cond.	436-2256
Leather & Lace	998-1344
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Making Waves	436-7077
Memorial Lutheran Church of Afton	436-1138
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Remax Results - Jane Peters	436-2279
River Valley Printing	998-1312
Sail Away Cafe	436-6555
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Windmill Marina Assn.	436-7744

## AFTON PRESCHOOL

Afton Preschool parents of enrolled children will once again be operating a food concession at the 32nd annual Afton Art in the Park. The school has been providing this concession for over 20 years. It is the main fund raiser for our small, non-profit preschool. Over the years money raised from this event has provided the school with field trips, permanent equipment as well as operating expenses in years where enrollment was low.

The school is located at Memorial Lutheran Church but is not affiliated with the church. It opened in 1968 and is a parent cooperative. Children must be 3 or 4 years of age by September 1, to enroll for fall class. Currently we are operating with a combined age class of children. Children attend 2 or 3 days per week depending on their age. Our 2010-11 class is at capacity. If you would like information for future classes, please contact the director, Cindy Melzer at 651-436-8557. Enrollment for 2011-12 opens February 1, 2011.



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